

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2597 - SB 2695

February 24, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (013951): Effective January 1, 2023, authorizes an assessor of property (Assessor) to display “UNLISTED” for the first and last name in the ownership field of an online database of property upon written request.

Provides that an Assessor is not prohibited from responding to an open records request regarding the subject property or from providing other information otherwise available for public inspection through such a request.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Per the legislation, an Assessor may display “UNLISTED” in the ownership field of an online searchable database of property upon the following conditions:
 - The residential property owner files a written request with the Assessor to display the ownership field for their property at “UNLISTED”; and
 - The written request includes sufficient information to clearly demonstrate to the Assessor that the subject property is the primary residence of the residential property owner making the request.
- An Assessor will be able to change the ownership field of an online database utilizing existing staff and resources; therefore, there is no fiscal impact to local government.
- Providing that an Assessor may respond to an open records request regarding the subject property or provide other information otherwise available for public inspection will not impact local government operations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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